

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting a withdrawal and sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following joint resolution was read the second time and placed on the calendar:

S.J. Res. 26. Joint resolution expressing the sense of Congress with respect to the court-martial conviction of the late Rear Admiral Charles Butler McVay, III, and calling upon the President to award a Presidential Unit Citation to the final crew of the U.S.S. *Indianapolis*.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-3291. A communication from the Director, Corporate Audits and Standards, Accounting and Information Management Division, General Accounting Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of financial statements for the Congressional Award Foundation for fiscal years 1997 and 1998; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

EC-3292. A communication from the Regulations Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Secondary Direct Food Additives Permitted in Food for Human Consumption", received May 19, 1999; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3293. A communication from the Regulations Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Indirect Food Additives: Adjuvants, Production Aids, and Sanitizers", received May 19, 1999; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3294. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Avocados Grown in South Florida; Increased Assessment Rate" (Docket No. FV99-915-1-FR), received May 19, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3295. A communication from the Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service, Marketing and Regulatory Programs, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Raisins Produced From Grapes Grown in California; Increase in Assessment Rate" (Docket No. FV99-989-2-FR), received May 18, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3296. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Regulatory

Analysis and Development, Policy and Program Development, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Imported Fire Ant; Quarantined Areas and Treatment" (Docket No. 98-125-1), received May 19, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3297. A communication from the Director, Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Office of Policy, Planning and Evaluation, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of two rules entitled "Spinosad; Pesticide Tolerance (FRL 3 6081-8)" and "Tebuconazole; Pesticide Tolerance for Emergency Exemption (FRL # 6079-1)", received May 18, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3298. A communication from the President and Chairman, Export-Import Bank of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a transaction involving U.S. exports to Saudi Arabia; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3299. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revised Restrictions on Assistance to Noncitizens-Final Rule (FR-4154)" (RIN2501-AC36), received May 18, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3300. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance; Statutory Merger of Section 8 Certificate and Voucher Programs; Interim Rule (FR-4428)" (RIN2577-AB91), received May 18, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3301. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations, 64 FR 24517, 05/07/99", received May 18, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3302. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility, 64 FR 24512, 05/07/99", received May 18, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3303. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations, 64 FR 24516, 05/07/99", received May 18, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3304. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Flood Elevation Determinations, 64 FR 24515, 05/07/99", received May 18, 1999; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3305. A communication from the Director of the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Technology, Technology Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Technology" (RIN0692-ZA02), received April 6, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3306. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery: Trip Limit Adjustments", received April 6, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3307. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Domestic Fisheries Division, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States-Announcement That the 1999 Summer Flounder Commercial Quota Has Been Harvested for Maine", received April 2, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3308. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Domestic Fisheries Division, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Northeastern United States-Final Rule to Implement Framework Adjustment 27 to the Northeast Multispecies Fisheries Management Plan and 1999 Target Total Allowable Catch" (RIN0648-AL72), received May 17, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3309. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Western Pacific Bottomfish Fishery; Amendment 3" (RIN0648-AK21), received April 30, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3310. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Financial Assistance for Research and Development Projects in the Northeast Coastal States; Marine Fisheries Initiative (MARFIN)" (RIN0648-ZA62), received April 26, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3311. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Halibut and Sablefish Fisheries Quota-Share Loan Program; Final Program Notice and Announcement of Availability of Federal Financial Assistance" (RIN0648-ZA63), received May 11, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3312. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries in the Exclusive Economic Zone off Alaska; Hired Skipper Requirements for the Individual Fishing Quota Program" (RIN0648-AK20), received May 11, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3313. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; West Coast Salmon Fisheries; Amendment 13" (RIN0648-AK83), received May 17,